

1899. One institute is held annually in each county under the auspices of county organizations. As already stated, the State makes an appropriation for each county institute of \$50, but for the ensuing two years \$75 are allowed to each county. In addition to this, the State appropriates \$8,000 annually to the Illinois State Farmers' Institute, which is an official board. The State institute has an advisory influence over the county institutes and holds annually a State meeting of three days' session. The institute inaugurates various educational work. The board of directors of the institute is composed of the State superintendent of public instruction, president State Dairymen's Association, dean of College of Agriculture, president State Board of Agriculture, president State Horticultural Society, and one member elected from each Congressional district of the State. There is also in Illinois a State board of agriculture. Its principal duty is to manage the Illinois State fair and collect quarterly crop statistics.

INDIANA.

1891. An annual appropriation of \$5,000.

1899. The farmers' institutes of Indiana are provided for by a State appropriation, and are held under the auspices of Purdue University. Each county in the State (92) holds an annual institute under State auspices. In a large number of cases a second meeting is also held if the direct apportionment of \$25 for local expenses is not all used on the first meeting. Over one hundred institutes under State auspices are held annually (103 during 1898-99), and about 25 independent meetings. These independent meetings are held by the same local organization which has charge of the annual meetings under State control. The meetings are distributed by counties. The general average attendance is about 250, making the total attendance probably 30,000 to 35,000. The sum of \$5,000 is appropriated annually for this work. The State board of agriculture in Indiana corresponds with the State agricultural society of Michigan. It has in charge the State fair, and publishes a report of the fair and of the various industrial meetings held at the statehouse. There is no State commissioner of agriculture. The local organizations which cooperate with the superintendent of institutes in holding the annual institutes in the several counties have been organized, with the exception of two or three cases, for the express purpose of arranging for and holding farmers' institutes.

IOWA.

1891. No appropriation. During the winter of 1890-91 the State agricultural society and the agricultural college appropriated a small sum. Institutes were held at this period but they were supported by individuals or societies.

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